Command Sergeant Major Stephen (Steve) G. Hamby began his military career in 1988 when he enlisted in the United States Army as a Cannoneer. After completing One-Station Unit Training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, he was assigned as a Cannon Crewman to Battery B, 3rd Battalion, 15th Field Artillery in Talladega, Alabama. He was promoted to various positions including Gunner, Gun Section Chief and Fire Direction Control Chief and attained the rank of Staff Sergeant during his six years at B-3/15. His next assignment was the 1st Battalion, 347th Regiment, 4th Brigade, 87th Division (Exercise) at Fort Gillem, Georgia, where he reclassified as Infantryman to serve as an Opposing Force (OPFOR) Observer / Controller, and later as Missions Resource NCO, Training NCO, and Operations NCO at battalion and brigade levels; he attained the rank of Sergeant First Class during his five years in these assignments. His next assignment, in 1999, was as Detachment Sergeant, Detachment 3, 461st Personnel Services Battalion in Decatur, Georgia. In 2001, he was promoted to Master Sergeant and assigned as First Sergeant of D Company, 3rd Battalion, 485th Regiment, 108th Division (Institutional Training) at Fort Benning, Georgia. He served two years as Acting Command Sergeant Major of 3/485, and was promoted to Sergeant Major in September 2008 and assumed duties as Command Sergeant Major of 2nd Battalion, 347th Regiment, 157th Infantry Brigade at Fort Gordon, Georgia.

Command Sergeant Major Hamby is currently attending the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy. His military education includes Cannoneer Training, Infantryman Training, Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic and Advanced Non-Commissioned Officer Course, and First Sergeant Course. He received his Bachelor Degree in Management and Computer Information Systems from The University of North Alabama in April 1987 and a Masters of Business Administration in Operations Management in December 1988 from Jacksonville State University.

Command Sergeant Major Hamby's awards and decorations include: Army Commendation Medal with 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Achievement Medal with 4th Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal with 4th Oak Leaf Cluster, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with Bronze Hour Glass, NCO Professional Development Ribbon with Numeral 3, and Army Service Ribbon. He has also been awarded the Honorable Order of Saint Barbara.